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Didier Lefevre et al.

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Art Unit: 1641

For: REAGENT AND PROCESS FOR THE  
IDENTIFICATION AND COUNTING OF  
BIOLOGICAL CELLS

Examiner: G. Gabel

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**MS AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2006, finally rejecting claims 3-6, 9-11 and 19-25, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.